

Texas Chiropractic Board Report



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LEGISLATIVE RECAP

The regular session of the 88th Legislature is finally over, so it's a good time to look at the few bills that made it through the legislative process to become law that directly impact the overall practice of chiropractic, our licensees, and the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners (Board). The good news is that there aren't many of them and the impact on licensees will be minimal.

From the Board's perspective, the most consequential bill that passed was House Bill 1002 (Price), effective on June 6, 2023. The bill amends the Texas Education Code to permit school districts and charter schools to add chiropractors as members of concussion oversight teams. Under the new law, a school's decision to add chiropractors to the concussion oversight team is permissive, which means the school is not required to do so. The Board obviously does not have jurisdiction over the schools, so it will be up to licensees to make them aware of this change and urge inclusion of chiropractors on those oversight teams.

Next is Senate Bill 490 (Hughes), effective September 1, 2023. This bill amends the Texas Health and Safety Code to require healthcare providers to give patients a written itemized bill for any services or supplies within 30 days of final payment. The Board already has a rule, 22 Texas Administrative Code §75.5 (Patient's Right to Disclosure of Charges), that requires licensees to provide a written summary of charges to a patient; the Board will determine if the text of SB 490 requires amending that rule.

There were a couple of other bills of note that touched on the practice of chiropractic but are outside the Board's jurisdiction. Senate Bill 2171 (Alvarado), effective September 1, 2023, will allow licensees to act as expert witnesses in certain civil lawsuits. And Senate Bill 1122 (Schwertner), effective June 18, 2023, will exempt those licensees who perform as a designated doctor under the workers' compensation system from sales taxes on those services.

The animal chiropractic bill that was of interest to many, House Bill 3397 (Kitzman), made it out of committee in the House, but failed to make to a floor vote and thus died. There were several other bills that passed that will affect the Board's internal operations in one form or another, but they will have no impact on licensees.

If you have any questions about these pieces of legislation, please feel free to contact me at christopher@tbce.texas.gov.



Summary of Actions

This is a summary of the Board's rulemaking actions taken during the two most recent meetings on February 23 and May 18, 2023.

At its February 23, 2023, meeting, the Board voted to approve the following actions regarding its rules in the Texas Administrative Code (TAC):

Proposed Amendments of Current Rules

22 TAC §73.2 (Failure to Meet Continuing Education Requirements)

Adopted New Rules (effective March 16)

22 TAC §75.11 (Appointment Cancellation or No-Show Fees) (without changes to the previously published text)

Adopted Repeal and Replacement of Current Rules (effective March 16)

22 TAC §73.3 (Requirements for Sponsors of Continuing Education Courses) (without changes)

22 TAC §75.6 (Mandatory Notice to Public) (without changes)

22 TAC §76.3 (Fees for Providing Patient Records) (without changes)

At its May 18, 2023, meeting, the Board voted to approve the following action regarding its rules in the Texas Administrative Code (TAC):

Adopted Amendment to Current Rules

22 TAC §73.2 (Failure to Meet Continuing Education Requirements) (without changes) (**effective 6/7/23**)

President's Message

Risk Management



While contemplating Rule 73.1(i), our requirement of one hour of CE annually on the topic of risk management (A licensee shall complete a minimum of 1 hour of the 16 annual required hours on chiropractic practice risk management.), I wondered what comes to mind for most of us while attending the course. I asked the Board's General Counsel, Christopher Burnett, for a legal perspective. He said, "Risk management is a broad concept. Lawsuits are better viewed as the consequence of poor risk management, not the poorly-managed risk itself. Usually, it's thought of in two categories: internal and external. External is something like natural disasters, pandemic, civil unrest, those things you don't have much if any control over (but you still gotta plan for). Internal would be those things you do have control over."

So, focusing on internal risk management, I would break it down into two categories. One involves avoiding complaints and malpractice suits. Protecting oneself (doctor-centered risk management) is important, but so is the other category which is protecting the patient against injury (patient-centered risk management). Of course, injuring a patient tends to lead to complaints and lawsuits, so the two go hand-in-hand. The patient-centered approach helps to ensure that patients receive safe and effective care while the doctor-centered approach helps to protect chiropractors from legal liability in the event of injury or other harm to the patient.

Consider the following checklists for these two categories of risk management:

Doctor-centered risk management: 1) Document each patient encounter thoroughly and accurately. 2) Obtain informed consent from each patient before providing treatment. 3) Follow all relevant laws and regulations. 4) Have a system in place for handling patient complaints.

Patient-centered risk management: 1) Be familiar with the risks and benefits of all treatment options. 2) Choose the most appropriate treatment option for each patient. 3) Use proper technique when adjusting patients. 4) Monitor patients for any signs of injury or complications. 5) Provide patients with clear instructions on how to care for themselves after treatment.

Regarding proper technique, I'll add that chiropractors should seek the highest level of knowledge and expertise in their chosen methods. As for chiropractic adjusting techniques, we should know in as much detail as possible the predicted stress on the affected tissues, especially those tissues considered to be at risk of injury such as joint capsules, discs, nerves, and the vertebral arteries. Acupuncture and dry needling techniques should stay within the "safe-zone" of myofascial tissue, avoiding vulnerable structures adjacent to the target. Modalities using thermal, electrical, mechanical, sound, or light should be calibrated and closely monitored during application to a patient.

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... President's Message

Risk Management

Facilities should be clean and safe from corner to corner. Furniture in common areas along with floors should be cleaned daily. Reducing or eliminating clutter makes cleaning easier and clears the mind as well. Chiropractic equipment, especially the adjusting tables, should be sanitized between patients and also routinely inspected and maintained against mechanical failure. A patient-centered disinfection program can reduce the predominant pathogens (C. diff, MRSA, CRE, VRE, Candida auris, SARS-CoV-2, etc.) in areas of the clinic where pathogen transmission to patients is most likely to occur.

Managing and reducing risk is a team effort and a necessary policy of every chiropractor and facility. It is also very rewarding.

Mark R. Bronson, D.C.

President

Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners

REQUIRED HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS TRAINING FOR ALL LICENSEES



Effective September 1, 2020, in order to renew a license, all licensees are legislatively required to complete at least one hour in an HHSC approved course in human trafficking awareness training every renewal period as directed by Texas Occupations Code, Chapter 116.

The HHSC list of approved courses can be found here:

<https://www.hhs.texas.gov/sites/default/files/documents/services/safety/human-trafficking/hhs-approved-human-trafficking-training.pdf>

As a health care practitioner in the state of Texas, you can take any course that appears on this list.

Select the course, and click the link in the "Delivery Method" column and it will take you to that specific course platform. Once you complete the course, it is YOUR responsibility to submit the certificate of completion to the Board. Please include your license number and email the certificate to licensing@tbce.texas.gov or by fax to (512) 305-6705.

DO NOT wait until the last minute to resolve a hold that may be on your license renewal. Once we remove the hold, there is a two day period for the new record to integrate with our payment system. You are responsible for all impacts to your license, up to and including fines and/or late fees for late license renewal.



Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners

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Attention New Licensees

Your first renewal cycle is **pro-rated** and generally not a full twelve months, thus completion of your Continuing Education (CE) requirements is not required until *after* your first license renewal.

When you renew your license for the second time, you should have completed thirty-two (32) hours of approved CE, 16 each year, including the four (4) hours in Board-required topics and the one-time, eight (8) required hours for Medicare for new licensees. Licensees are randomly audited for continuing education compliance.



Board Disciplinary Actions Taken



The following is a summary of the Board's disciplinary actions taken during the two most recent meetings on February 23 and May 18, 2023.

Edgar Vivar Mendoza, License No. 12339
Humble

Ordered to pay an administrative penalty of \$1,000.00 and take continuing education for failing to adequately document exam findings.

Andrew Wesley Oestreich, License No. 13846
Woodway

Ordered to retake the Jurisprudence Examination for advertising treatment of conditions outside the scope of chiropractic.

Kelly Mark Brown, License No. 4205
Grapevine

License suspended until completion of an ethics and boundaries examination and ordered to pay \$1,000.00 administrative penalty for inappropriate relationship with a patient.

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Katerina Sheffield Dickey, License No. 11499

Lago Vista

Ordered to pay an administrative penalty of \$1,000.00 and retake the Jurisprudence Examination for advertising professional superiority.

Gene Allen Lott, License No. 6827

Fort Worth

Ordered to pay an administrative penalty of \$2,000.00 and retake the Jurisprudence Examination for failing to sign treatment notes.

Jason L. Morgan, License No. 10376

Monahans

Two years' probation and controlled substance monitoring for substance abuse, practicing with an expired license, and failing to create treatment notes.

Robert Thurston Aldridge, License No. 6628

Saginaw

License revocation for felony conviction.

Alejandro Xavier Rivera, License No. 8976

Houston

License revocation for felony conviction.

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Executive Director's Message



With the completion of the 88th Texas Legislature and Gov. Abbott's signature on the new budget, the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners now has approved funding for three new positions for the 2024-25 biennium. The positions are chiropractic director, licensing specialist, and legal secretary.

We requested the chiropractic director role as part of our legislative appropriations request, but although the legislature did not amend Chapter 201 of the Occupations Code to create the position, we were allocated funds to hire a half-time chiropractor to serve as the director.

The chiropractic director will be responsible for chiropractic quality assurance at the agency, providing professional determinations and analysis on chiropractic issues related to licensing and enforcement. The director will also work closely with the TBCE's general counsel on Scope of Practice questions and represent the board before other state agencies and organizations.

The licensing specialist and legal secretary roles will support our licensure and enforcement departments, allowing other staff to focus on their primary duties instead of administrative work. We estimate that enforcement and licensing staff are currently spending about 30 percent of their time on administrative duties.

We believe these new positions will help improve efficiency and effectiveness in regulating the practice of chiropractic in Texas and the more than 6,500 licensees we oversee. The legal secretary position is posted now, and we anticipate posting the other two at different times in the next couple of months.

The Legislature also provided appropriations that will give our staff members two 5% pay increases, the first starting July 1, and the second on September 1, 2024.

Our professional staff works very hard protecting the public, overseeing the licensing process and investigating complaints and violations of chiropractic laws and rules, and the Board and I are grateful that the Legislature and Governor recognized their efforts with these pay increases.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Patrick Fortner". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Patrick Fortner
Executive Director

Agency Licensing Summary through May 31, 2023

Active License	6,858
CE-Conditional License	53
Expired License	282
Inactive License	574
Non-Renewable License	3,409
Probated License	12
Suspended License	1

Compliance & Investigations Information

October 15, 2022 through February 6, 2023

A total of 31 cases were closed between October 15, 2022, and February 6, 2023.

The average number of days required to close each case was 113.

Closed No Violation	5		Signed Agreed Orders	6
Closed-Insufficient Evidence	3		Administrative Tickets	1
Closed Administratively	1		Board Order of Statutory Suspension	0
Lack of Cooperation	2		Letters of Warning	1
Closed for Compliance	4		Letters of Education	0
Complaint Withdrawn	3			
Closed No -Jurisdiction	4			
Duplicate Complaint	1			
Total	23		Total	8

Top Allegations

- Patient Record Documentation Violations
- Advertising Violations
- Failure to Report Deferred Adjudications or Convictions
- Sexual Misconduct

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...Compliance & Investigations Information

February 6, 2023 through April 28, 2023

A total of 44 cases were closed between February 6, 2023 and April 28, 2023.

The average number of days required to close each case was 323.

Closed No Violation	2		Signed Agreed Orders	3
Closed-Insufficient Evidence	9		Administrative Tickets	1
Closed Administratively	5		Board Order of Statutory Suspension	0
Lack of Cooperation	5		Letters of Warning	4
Closed for Compliance	3		Letters of Education	0
Complaint Withdrawn	3			
Closed No -Jurisdiction	7			
Duplicate Complaint	0			
Referred to Law Enforcement	2			
Total	36		Total	8

Top Allegations

- Patient Record Documentation Violations
- Advertising Violations
- Failure to Report Deferred Adjudications or Convictions
- Sexual Misconduct

TBCE President Dr. Mark Bronson Receives the 2023 Tullio Award from the NBCE

The Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners (TBCE) is proud to announce that President Dr. Mark Bronson, has been selected as the recipient of the 2023 Paul M. Tullio Award for Distinguished Service to the NBCE. The award was presented by the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners (NBCE) at its Annual Business Meeting of Delegates Luncheon in West Palm Beach, Florida, on April 28, 2023.

The Tullio Award is named after Paul M. Tullio, a leader in chiropractic, whose contributions in testing, licensing, and legislative issues have benefitted the profession. The award recognizes individuals who have distinguished themselves in the area of examination development, administration, analysis and/or scoring for the chiropractic profession. Nominations are made by any member of the NBCE Board of Directors and forwarded to the Executive Committee who then selects the recipient.



NBCE Tullio Award, from left to right: Martha Bronson, Karen Campion and Mark Bronson.

Dr. Mark Bronson is a chiropractor and owner of the Bronson Clinic, Inc. in Fort Worth, Texas. He graduated from the University of Texas at Austin with a Bachelor of Business Administration in finance and from Texas Chiropractic College with a Doctor of Chiropractic degree. He also holds certifications in Chiropractic Orthopedics, Pain Management, Disability Analysis and Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine.

Before his appointment to the TBCE, Dr. Bronson was involved in service to his profession through the Texas Chiropractic Association, where he twice served as President of his district and received a “Doctor of the Year” award, then as a State Director and Board Member, and as Coordinator for the organization’s Department of Scientific Affairs.

Since 1992, Dr. Bronson has served as a Designated Doctor for the Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers’ Compensation, for determining the injury status of workers within the system. He also serves on the curriculum and test development committee as a Subject Matter Expert.

Since 1997, Dr. Bronson has served as Chief Examiner for the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners and also on the committees for Parts III and IV test development.

On August 11th, 2016 Governor Greg Abbott appointed Dr. Bronson as President of the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners and has since reappointed him for a second term ending in 2027.

Dr. Bronson is a member of the American Chiropractic Association and the Texas Council of Chiropractic Orthopedists. As a community volunteer, he has served as Troop Chaplain for the Boy Scouts of America and as President of the Rotary Club of Western Fort Worth.

The TBCE congratulates Dr. Mark Bronson for his outstanding achievements and contributions to the chiropractic profession and is honored to have him as its President.

For more information about the TBCE and its mission of protecting public health by regulating chiropractic practice in Texas, please visit www.tbce.Texas.gov.

TBCE Welcomes New DC Licensees

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Abel Aguilar, DC
Landry Alexander, DC
Bethany Alleman, DC
Ryan Allen, DC
Roshani Amaidas, DC
Michael Anderla, DC
Benjamin Andrews, DC
Hawau Anjorin, DC
Zachary Anthony, DC
Joey Applebaum, DC
Brandon Ascher, DC
Garrett Bader, DC
Mohammad Barlas, DC
Michael Bauer, DC
Jacoby Bergeron, DC
Donald Bisesi, DC
Aleya Blackman, DC
Ryan Blackmon, DC
Bianca Bocka, DC
Peter Borregard, DC
Sarah Brauer, DC
Robert Bridges, DC
Lexie Britton, DC
Holly Brocato, DC
William Buckelew, DC
Hung Bui, DC
Kristen Burch, DC
Shaine Cararas, DC
Monica Carnera, DC
Ryan Cecil, DC
Venus Chapa-Sanchez, DC

John Cherry, DC
Dallas Clark, DC
Brittany Claus, DC
Ariel Cobb, DC
Jacob Cocke, DC
Elizabeth Conti, DC
Todd Countee, DC
Kelsey Crumrine, DC
Clara Davila Araujo, DC
Aimee Day, DC
Delta Delagarza, DC
Chelsea DeLeon, DC
Kendall DeLorimiere, DC
Cary DeSmidt, DC
Haley Dickens, DC
Michelle Dickey, DC
Andrew Do, DC
Alex Doten, DC
Stevenson Dotson, DC
Olivia Drake, DC
Danielle Drakeford, DC
Casey Edmonson, DC
Elissa Ellerbrock, DC
Pendar Esmaeili, DC
Justice Ezeani, DC
James Fant, DC
Josè Andres Fernandez Iñesta, DC
Josè Enrique Fernandez Iñesta, DC
Janell Flores, DC
Jametra Frank, DC
Morgan Frank, DC
David Fritsch, DC

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Governor Abbott Appoints Three To Texas Board Of Chiropractic Examiners

Governor Greg Abbott has appointed Matthew Mix, D.C. and reappointed Josh Hollub and Mindy Neal, D.C. to the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners for terms set to expire on February 1, 2029.



Matthew Mix, D.C. of Bastrop is the owner of Adjust. He is a state association member of the Chiropractic Society of Texas and a member of the International Chiropractic Association. Mix studied at The University of Southern Mississippi, and received a Doctor of Chiropractic and an Academy of Chiropractic Philosophers Diplomate from Parker University.

Josh Hollub of Houston is a fourth-generation master plumber at Modern Plumbing Company, Inc., a family-owned and operated business since 1956. He has been a youth football coach for 11 years and enjoys giving back to the community and the next generation of servant leaders. Hollub graduated from Deer Park High School and completed a four-year plumbing apprenticeship program.



Mindy Neal, D.C. of Bovina is a chiropractor and owner of The Bone Joint Chiropractic. She is a member of the Texas Chiropractic Association and the American Veterinary Chiropractic Association. She is the former chairman of Parmerton Rhea, LLC. in Parmer County, former vice president of the Basketball League of Bovina, and former president of the Bovina Booster Club. Governor Abbott first appointed her to the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners in 2018. Neal received a Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Science from Texas A&M University and a Doctor of Chiropractic from Parker College of Chiropractic.

These appointments were confirmed by the Texas Senate.

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George Fritsch, DC
Joy Fun, DC
Mike Galstyan, DC
Avianna Galvan, DC
Ryan Gard, DC
Jenny Garner, DC
Justin Garrett, DC
Katia Garza, DC
Spencer Godard, DC
Janesha Gooden, DC
Luc Gradisar, DC
Shelby Gray, DC
Elisa Guillen, DC
Jason Guin, DC
Nicholas Guldán, DC
John Gwynne, DC
Bruce Hagen, DC
Dayton Hancock, DC
Hayden Hand, DC
Satya Hardiker, DC
Kyle Hardwick, DC
Daniel Hartwell, DC
Ryland Hathaway, DC
Tyron'E Hawkins, DC
Rachel Hefner, DC
Hamid Reza Heidari, DC
Ryan Hendrex, DC
Logan Hengst, DC
Matthew Herrera, DC
Savannah Heugly, DC
Krista Hilliard, DC
Nikki Hiner, DC
BreAnn Hoffman, DC
Rylan Holub, DC
Jon Horton, DC
Stephanie Howard, DC
Landon Huber, DC
Michael Hughes, DC
Hailey Hull, DC
Trevor Hurtig, DC
Maurice Isuo, DC
Terrance Jackson, DC

Erika Jazayeri Smith, DC
DeAndre Johnson, DC
Thomas Johnson, DC
Ginger Johnson, DC
Kyle Jolas, DC
Alex Jolly, DC
Katelynn Jones, DC
Glen Jukes, DC
Michael Karkar, DC
Daniel Kaunator, DC
Peter Klassen, DC
Jacob Lamarre, DC
Quandacia Lane, DC
Amorak Langsy, DC
Austin Lee, DC
Jeffrey Lee Sang, DC
Christopher Leone, DC
Kaillyn Lewis, DC
Alexander Linton, DC
Tiara Littleton, DC
Alex Liu Cifuentes, DC
Brian Long, DC
Orlando Luciano, DC
Blake Lunday, DC
Morgan Lyon, DC
Kamryn McKee, DC
Tyler McKinniss, DC
Franklin McMahon, III, DC
Dianna Mejia, DC
Delismarie Mercado Alvarado, DC
Andre' Mergey, DC
Joshua Meyer, DC
Clarissa Meza, DC
Jessica Mikhail, DC
Cordell Miller, DC
Jeff Miller, DC
Cody Mircovich, DC
Abigail Mitchell, DC
Loren Moore, DC
Jonathan Morales, DC
Valentin Moreno, DC
Larnix Moua, DC

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Ashley Murry , DC
Ryan Nelson, DC
Marshall Nichol, DC
Ryne Niemi, DC
MacKayla Nohr, DC
Colton O'Brien, DC
Chanelle O'Dwyer, DC
Jeffrey O'Flaherty, DC
Jayme O'Neal, DC
Matthew Oakley, DC
Paola Ortiz Castro, DC
Brooke Osborne, DC
Katherine Pacholke, DC
Ingrid Padilla, DC
Jenna Pape, DC
Veronica Pardo, DC
Lucas Parsons, DC
Justin Pearce, DC
Juan Pena, DC
Melissa Pèrez, DC
Taylor Phillips, DC
Teresa Phillips, DC
Elizabeth Plaisted, DC
Tanner Quick, DC
Lizbeth Quiroz, DC
Kimberly Ramcharan, DC
Robert Ramsey, DC
Matthew Redman, DC
Russell Revilla, DC
Kiara Reyes Olivo, DC
Chantal Ricard, DC
Kayla Richer, DC
Alexandria Rickard, DC
Judy Rodrigues, DC

Ashley Rodriguez, DC
Kimberly Rollheiser-Revilla, DC
Zachary Rosenberg, DC
Shahrzad Saba, DC
Jorge Sanchez, DC
Raquel Sauer, DC
Melinda Sauvage, DC
Adalie Schmidt, DC
John Shannon, Jr., DC
Shelby Shao, DC
Shekinah Sharpe, DC
David Shaw, DC
Matt Sheehy, DC
Hailey Shelton, DC
Sadiq Sheraze, DC
Erik Shimane, DC
Saeed Shokriv
Erick Simpson, DC
Jesse Slater, DC
Tyler Slaydon, DC
Yoon Sang Song, DC
Michael Stacey, DC
Jordon Stevens, DC
Ashley Studimire, DC
Alejandra Suarez, DC
Jung Suh, DC
Logan Swofford, DC
Tamara Thomas, DC
Brad Thornley, DC
Melissa Todd, DC
Alex Tran, DC
Derek Tran, DC
Tara Trowbridge, DC
Kenneth Tsang, DC

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TBCE Congratulates Former Board Member Karen Campion on Election as President of FCLB

The Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners (TBCE) congratulates Dr. Karen Campion, a former member of the board, on her recent election as President of the Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards (FCLB). Dr. Campion, a Bryan, Texas chiropractor, was elected to this prestigious position at the 96th Annual Congress of the FCLB, held in West Palm Beach, Florida from April 26-30, 2023.

As President of the FCLB, Dr. Campion will be responsible for leading the organization in maintaining high, uniform standards related to chiropractic licensure, regulation, discipline, and education. Her previous experience as District IV regional director on the board of directors makes her an ideal candidate to take on this important role.

The FCLB serves as a central communication and service organization for chiropractic licensing boards throughout the United States and Canada. It is responsible for promoting patient protection, assisting member boards in setting standards for regulation, and credentialing chiropractic licensees.

Dr. Campion retired from full-time practice and currently practices part-time.

She was a member of the TBCE from 2011 to 2018 and served as Vice President from 2016 to 2018. We are proud of her accomplishments and look forward to her continued success in her new role as President of the FCLB.

The TBCE wishes Dr. Campion all the best in her new position and looks forward to continuing to work with her to promote high standards and patient protection in chiropractic practice.

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Stephen Tullius, DC
Braxton Turnage, DC
Joel Twist, DC
Chelsea Tyree, DC
Harley Uranga, DC
Justin Utz, DC
Bibiana Valdez, DC
Austin Van Poole, DC
Elena Vaughan, DC
Juan Vidales, DC
Joseph Viggianelli, DC
Nicole Wan, DC
Jacinda Ward, DC
Benjamin Watson, DC
Kayla Watson, DC
Nathaniel Weeks, DC
Aaron Wiggins, DC
Isabella Williams, DC
Richard Willis, DC

Quianna Winkfield, DC
Nicholas Wohlers, DC
Robert Wolff, DC
Jasmine Wright, DC
Kaylen Wright, DC
Teylor Yarrish, DC
Zahra Zabihi Jowsheghan, DC

Reinstatements:

Nicholas Chillemi, DC
Anesa Collier, DC
Kazunori Cook, DC
Dana Dodd, DC
David Gosalvez, III, DC
Matther Karcher, DC
Daniel Noffsinger, DC
Michael Rashid, DC
Matthew Rayner, DC
Kevin Tomassini Vèlez, DC

Texas Chiropractic Board Report Memorials



John William Steinberg, age 79, of Marion, Texas passed away on Saturday, June 17, 2023. He was with family at home when he peacefully passed after an arduous battle from complications of Agent Orange exposure during the Vietnam War.

Mr. Steinberg served as a member of the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners from 2013-2019.

After retiring from the Air Force in 1990 as a Captain, Mr. Steinberg began a second career of 25 years overseeing safety and security for Little Caesar's of San Antonio. During this time, he also worked for the US Department of Treasury conducting interviews and completing background checks for border control officers. Additionally,

he served the City of Converse as Mayor from 1997 until 1999.

Mr. Steinberg is survived by his wife, Jean; daughter, Carol and her husband, John Harris; son, Phillip and his wife Cheryl Steinberg; grandchildren, Brittany Steinberg, Mary Frances Harris, Noah Harris and Brandon Steinberg; his 5 sisters and several nieces and nephews.

Dr. Joseph E. Wojciechowski, III, passed away on April 7, 2021.

Dr. Wojciechowski attended Palmer Chiropractic College and graduated on February 23, 2007. He was licensed by the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners on December 23, 2020.

Dr. Joe taught Sunday school and served on various volunteer fire departments. He loved music, reading, hunting and fishing.

Funeral services were held on April 13, 2021 at Sharon Baptist Church in Shawnee, Oklahoma followed by burial at Little Cemetery. Services were under the direction of Swearingen Funeral Home in Seminole, OK.



Danny Doyle, passed away on December 25, 2022.

Danny attended Texas Chiropractic College and graduated on January 1, 1976.

He was licensed by the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners on July 14, 1976.

Danny was highly involved with TCA, serving as TCA District 4 State Director.

Funeral services are pending as of January 3, 2023.



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Dr. Les Michael Young, passed away on December 30, 2022.

Dr. Young studied pre-med at San Jacinto College and graduated from Texas Chiropractic College on December 1, 1989. He was licensed by the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners on December 1, 1989.

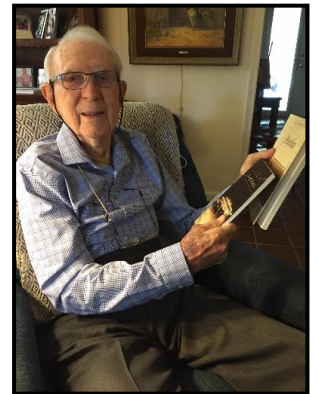
Dr. Young had a passion for health and fitness. He also enjoyed sports, bird watching, fishing and traveling, but his greatest joy was his daily walks with Bella, his beloved dog. Visitation and celebration of life was held on January 7, 2023 at New Hope Church in Manvel, Texas. Those who wish to remember Dr. Young in a special way, may make gifts in his memory to a charity of your choice.

Dr. Robert S. Wright, passed away on December 28, 2022

Dr. Wright attended the University of Texas before enlisting in the US Marines Air Corps, where he served as a flight instructor, attaining the rank of Captain. After serving his country in WWII, he graduated from Texas Chiropractic College in 1950. He was licensed by the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners on March 18, 1950 and went on to practice alongside his father Dr. James Stanley Wright for 30 years. Dr. Bob practiced from 1950 until retiring in 2021, after 70 years in practice. He left his practice in good hands with his son Dr. Billy Wright (3rd generation) and grandson Dr. Tyler Wright (4th generation).

Dr. Wright proudly went on the Honor Flight Trip to Washington, D.C. in October 2013 with his fellow WWII veterans and was an active member of Hyde Park Baptist Church

Following a private family burial, a memorial service and reception was held on January 5, 2023 at Austin Baptist Church. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Honor Flight Austin or to a charity of your choice.



Dr. Lance Terry, DC, passed away on January 2, 2023.

Dr. Terry attended Parker Chiropractic College and graduated on September 12, 1994. He was licensed by the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners on July 25, 1995.

Dr. Terry enjoyed cooking, music, art, sporting events and cheering on those around him. His greatest passion was loving others, which he showed through leading church groups, volunteering in his community and feeding the homeless.

A celebration of life will be held at Cross City Church.

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Dr. Jason Sweeney, DC, passed away on February 5, 2022.

Dr. Sweeney attended Parker Chiropractic College and graduated on January 18, 2010. He was licensed by the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners on April 15, 2010.

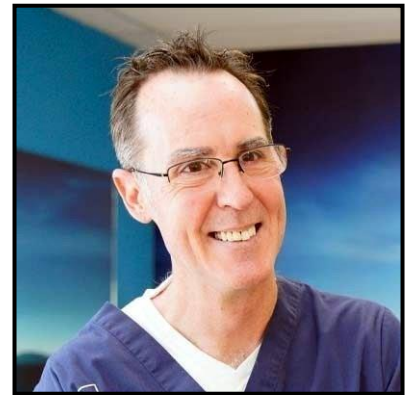
Funeral services are unknown at the time of publication.

Dr. James (Jim) Pollard, III, DC, passed away on February 26, 2023.

After working in the field of pharmaceutical and DNA technology, Dr. Pollard attended Life Chiropractic College West and graduated on September 23, 2002. He was licensed by the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners on February 5, 2004.

Dr. Pollard opened “Hill Country Chiropractic” and spent over 20 years serving the community. He was involved in camping and outdoor sports.

A Memorial Service was held at Old Settlers Park on March 19, 2023 and a Celebration of Life service was held on March 25, 2023 at Cook-Walden/Capital Parks Funeral Home in Pflugerville, Texas. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.cookwaldencapitalparks.com for the Pollard family.



Dr. Lovonne Beaird DC, passed away on April 11, 2021

After working as a Professor of Chemistry at Colby Community College, Dr. Beaird attended Parker University and graduated on August 18, 1989. She was licensed by the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners on August 18, 1989.

Dr. Beaird, DC taught academics at Parker University for 25 years before retiring in 2018. She was deeply devoted to the university and the students. She invested her time, energy and expertise tirelessly in teaching.

A funeral service was held on April 17, 2021 at Azle & Lake Worth Funeral Home Chapel followed by committal at Azleland Cemetery and Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers the family encourages a donation to the following medical missionary organization in honor of Dr. Beaird: <https://www.openarmsinternational.org>

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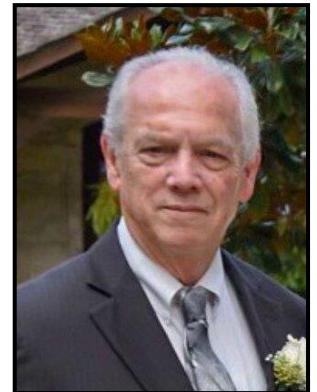
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Dr. Dwane C. Moyer, DC, passed away on November 16, 2022. Dr. Moyer attended Logan Chiropractic College and graduated on August 7, 1993. He was licensed by the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners on August 7, 1993. Funeral services are unknown at the time of publication.

Dr. Larry Alan Ward, DC, passed away on February 28, 2023. Dr. Ward attended Texas Chiropractic College and graduated on December 1, 1989. He was licensed by the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners on December 1, 1989 and selflessly served his community for 34 years, practicing at Edgebrook Chiropractic, La Porte Chiropractic and Cotulla Chiropractic. A funeral service was held on March 17, 2023 at Clayton Funeral home in La Porte, Texas.



Dr. Eddie L. Rettstatt, DC, passed away on March 14, 2023. Dr. Rettstatt attended Parker University and graduated on May 16, 1986. He was licensed by the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners on August 1, 1986, owning Family Chiropractic Clinic in Benbrook for 38 years. Eddie was a lifelong student and had a variety of interests including gardening, cheering on his favorite sports teams, attending live concerts and traveling on cruises with his wife. A memorial service was held on April 13, 2023 at Christ Chapel Bible Church Main Campus, followed by a reception.

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Dr. Sheena Nageli, DC, passed away on April 25, 2023.

Dr. Nageli attended Parker University and graduated on September 8, 2009. She was licensed by the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners on February 25, 2022.

Funeral services were unknown at the time of publication.



Rev. Romanuel Washington, Jr., DC, passed away on April 12, 2023.

Dr. Washington attended the International Chiropractic College in Dayton, Ohio and graduated on May 1, 1951. He was licensed by the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners on May 12, 1951.

Dr. Washington was a pioneer in the chiropractic community by being the first licensed black chiropractor in the state of Texas and the last surviving, founding member of the American Black Chiropractic Association (ABCA.) The purpose of the ABCA is to spread awareness of the benefits of chiropractic care in the African American community.

Dr. Washington was active in his community and also served as an associate minister at Fourth Missionary Baptist Church in Houston's Third Ward.

Dr. Washington is a beloved figure in the Texas chiropractic community and his contributions to that legacy will live on through the lives he impacted and in all who follow in his footsteps.

A funeral service to honor the life and legacy of Rev. Romanuel Washington, Jr., DC, was held at the Windsor Village UMC Kingdom Builders Center (KBC) in Houston, Texas on Friday, April 21, 2023

Memorials are published by the Board at no cost, as a tribute to deceased Texas doctors of chiropractic. Information included is primarily related to the individual's accomplishments in the chiropractic profession. To submit a memorial, please email tbce@tbce.state.tx.us, or call (512) 305-6906 for more information.